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SUBJECT: DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1976

1. FOLLOWING ARE THE DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS FROM THE BUREAUS. PM AND IO DID NOT SUBMIT.

EA- MR. MILLER, ACTING

SRG MEETING- BILL GLEYSTEN AND I ACCOMPANIED THE DEPUTY SECRETARY TO THE SRG MEETING THIS AFTERNOON ON U.S. FORCE REDUCTIONS IN TAIWAN AND ON U.S. EQUIPMENT LEFT IN INDOCHINA.

ON THE FIRST ISSUE, DEFENSE HAS A PLAN, WHICH WE WILL REVIEW, FOR CARRYING OUT THE 50 PER CENT REDUCTION THIS YEAR. THE STICKIEST ELEMENT OF THE REDUCTION WILL BE INTELLIGENCE PERSONNEL. THERE IS NO PROBLEM IN GETTING INTELLIGENCE REDUCTIONS STARTED, BUT WE SUSPECT WE ARE IN FOR MUCH BUREAUCRATIC PULLING AND HAULING ABOUT HOW TO DEAL WITH THE LONGER TERM ISSUE OF A U.S. INTELLIGENCE PRESENCE IN TAIWAN.

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ON THE ISSUE OF U.S. EQUIPMENT LEFT IN INDOCHINA, THERE APPEARED TO BE GENERAL CONSENSUS THAT THE ADMINISTRATION SHOULD ISSUE A PUBLIC STATEMENT WARNING THAT IT COULD GIVE NO ASSURANCES OF USG SUPPORT FOR TRANSACTIONS WITH

VIET-NAM ON U.S. EQUIPMENT, AND THAT IN ANY CASE ANY PRIVATE AMERICAN TRANSACTIONS WOULD BE SUBJECT TO LICENSE. THIS WOULD LEAVE US FREE TO DETERMINE ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS WHETHER OR NOT IT WOULD BE IN OUR INTEREST TO PROVIDE SPARE PARTS AND RELATED SUPPORT FOR SUCH EQUIPMENT PURCHASED BY THIRD COUNTRIES.

EUR - ARTHUR A. HARTMAN:

SOVIET INCIDENT. VORONTSOV CAME TO COMPLAIN ABOUT THIS MORNING'S SHOOTING INCIDENT AT A SOVIET U.N. MISSION RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN THE RIVERDALE SECTION OF NEW YORK. TWO RIFLE SHOTS WERE FIRED INTO TWO LOBBY-LEVEL WINDOWS; ACCORDING TO VORONTSOV, ONE OF THEM NARROWLY MISSED A SOVIET WATCHMAN. (THE NYPD AND FBI ARE INVESTIGATING AND HAVE NOT MADE ANY ARRESTS, BUT BELIEVE THEY HAVE LOCATED THE WEAPON. THERE ARE VARIOUS REPORTS OF JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS CLAIMING CREDIT, INCLUDING THE JDL.) I ADDED MY REGRETS TO THOSE EXPRESSED BY TAP BENNETT IN NEW YORK. VORONTSOV NOTED THAT THIS WAS THE THIRD SUCH SHOOTING INCIDENT INVOLVING SOVIET ESTABLISHMENTS IN NEW YORK IN RECENT YEARS. HE ALSO GAVE ME AN AIDE MEMOIRE PROTESTING PAMPHLETS OF "FREE POLAND, FREE SLOVAKIA, FREE COSSACKIA, AND FREE CROATIA" WHICH HAVE BEEN IDENTIFYING AND PUBLISHING THE ADDRESSES OF ALLEGED KGB OFFICERS AMONG SOVIET PERSONNEL IN NEW YORK.

MALTA. BRUCE LAINGEN CHAIRED AN INTERAGENCY MEETING ON MALTA TO ASSESS US POLICY. THERE WAS A CONSENSUS THAT OUR MAJOR OBJECTIVE REMAINS THE DENIAL OF ACCESS BY THE SOVIETS OR OTHER UNFRIENDLY COUNTRIES TO MALTESE MILITARY FACILITIES AND THAT NO CHANGE IN OUR POLICY IS ADVISABLE PENDING THE OUTCOME OF THE MALTESE ELECTIONS WHICH WILL BE HELD LATE THIS SUMMER OR IN THE EARLY FALL.

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AF - WILLIAM E. SCHAUFELLE, JR.

U.S. BUSINESS IN AFRICA - DURING A LUNCHEON SESSION TODAY WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS COUNCIL OF WASHINGTON I WAS ASKED A GOOD MANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE PROSPECTS FOR AMERICAN BUSINESS IN AFRICA AND THE LIKELY EVOLUTION OF EVENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA AS A RESULT OF THE ANGOLAN SITUATION. I TOLD MY LISTENERS, WHO REPRESENT ABOUT 24 MAJOR AMERICAN CORPORATIONS IN WASHINGTON, THAT THE DOOR WAS OPEN FOR AMERICAN CAPITAL, TECHNOLOGY, AND PRODUCTS IN AFRICA IN CONTRAST TO THE PRE-INDEPENDENCE DAYS AND THAT AFRICA COULD BE THE "LAST FRONTIER" OF AMERICAN BUSINESS OVERSEAS. INsofar AS SOUTHERN AFRICA WAS CONCERNED, I SAID IT WAS TOO SOON TO PREDICT THE EVOLUTION OF EVENTS THERE BUT

THAT IAN SMITH AND THE SOUTH AFRICANS MUST NOW BE ASKING
THEMSELVES A GREAT MANY QUESTIONS.

AMBASSADOR CUTLER - OUR AMBASSADOR TO ZAIRE, WALTER
CUTLER WHO HAS HAD SURGERY HERE, CALLED ON ME TODAY,
HE WILL BE RETURNING TO KINSHASA ON TUESDAY.

MONDAY - I'LL BE SPEAKING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
IN CHARLOTTESVILLE.

NEA - MR. SOBER, ACTING

1. AMBASSADOR HELMS TOLD ME THAT HE THOUGHT THE VISIT TO
TEHRAN EARLY THIS WEEK BY ROBERT SEAMANS AND CARL MAW
WENT WELL. THE SHAH REAFFIRMED THAT HE WANTED TO WORK
CLOSELY WITH US ON NUCLEAR ENERGY AND THAT HE WAS STILL
INTERESTED IN INVESTING IN A PROPOSED NEW PRIVATE ENRICH-
MENT FACILITY (UEA). THE SHAH ALSO EMPHASIZED, HOWEVER,
THAT HE DID NOT SEE WHY HE SHOULD BE ASKED TO GO BEYOND
THE COMMITMENTS HE HAS ALREADY MADE AS A PARTY TO THE
NPT. HELMS BELIEVES WE SHOULD NOT UNDERESTIMATE THE
DEPTH OF THE SHAH'S FEELINGS ON THIS, ALTHOUGH THE
SEAMANS/MAW VISIT REOPENED THE DIALOGUE WITH THE SHAH
ON NUCLEAR MATTERS. HELMS THINKS THAT, IF WE ARE STILL
NOT ABLE TO MOVE AHEAD WITH THE IRANIANS ON SPECIAL
SAFEGUARDS, WE WOULD BE WELL ADVISED TO STRETCH OUT THE
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NEGOTIATIONS UNTIL WE HAVE A NEW CONGRESS TO DEAL WITH
THAT MIGHT MAKE IT EASIER TO WORK SOMETHING OUT WITH
THE IRANIANS.

IT HAS BEEN AGREED THAT IRAN'S NUCLEAR ENERGY CHIEF,
ETEMAD, WILL COME HERE IN APRIL FOR THE TALKS.

L - MONROE LEIGH

--I MET AT JUSTICE DEPARTMENT WITH JAPANESE JUSTICE
MINISTRY OFFICIALS AND SEC CHAIRMAN TO NEGOTIATE PROCEDURES
FOR RECIPROCAL EXCHANGE OF EVIDENCE IN LOCKHEED CASE. WE
GAVE DRAFT TO JAPANESE. EXPECT RESPONSE MONDAY.

--ALDRICH REVISED AND APPROVED AN ANALYSIS OF THE LEGAL
CASES THAT COULD BE MADE BY BOTH MOROCCO AND ALGERIA IN THE
EVENT ALGERIA SHOULD INTERVENE WITH FORCE IN THE SPANISH
SAHARA. IN ESSENCE, THE MOROCCANS ARE PROBABLY VULNERABLE
TO CHARGES OF VIOLATIONS OF THE U.N. CHARTER, BUT THE
ALGERIANS COULD NOT JUSTIFY ARMED INTERVENTION ON THAT
BASIS.

--ALDRICH REVISED AND APPROVED A RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS BY
SENATOR JAVITS CONCERNING POSSIBLE MODALITIES FOR INTELLI-

GENCE OVERSIGHT. WE DOUBT THE APPROPRIATENESS OF USING THE WAR POWERS ACT MODEL AS JAVITS SUGGESTS.

--FELDMAN REVIEWED AND REVISED POSITION PAPERS AND STATEMENTS FOR THE U.S. DELEGATION TO THE MEETING OF THE UN PERMANENT COMMISSION ON TNE'S WHICH BEGINS MONDAY AT LIMA.

--FELDMAN WORKED WITH EB ON MR. INGERSOLL'S TESTIMONY ON CORRUPT PRACTICES BEFORE THE PROXMIRE JOINT ECONOMIC SUBCOMMITTEE ON PRIORITIES AND ECONOMY NEXT WEDNESDAY.

--SCHWEBEL TALKED WITH AMBASSADOR MYERSON AND DRAFTED AN INSTRUCTION TO USUN ON TREATMENT IN THE HABITAT DECLARATION OF THE PROBLEM OF SOVEREIGNTY OVER NATURAL RESOURCES.

--SCHWEBEL RESPONDED NEGATIVELY TO CONGRESSMAN YATES' SECRET

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INQUIRY AS TO WHETHER GENERAL ASSEMBLY PRECEDENT AND RULES PERMIT EXPUNGING OF RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED (YATES HAS THE ANTI-ZIONISM RESOLUTION IN MIND). HE ADVISED THAT, IF AND WHEN THERE ARE THE VOTES TO DEAL WITH ZIONISM OBJECTIVELY, A MORE PROMISING COURSE WOULD BE TO ADOPT A NEW AUTHORITY DEFINITION OF RACISM WHICH MAKES NO MENTION OF ZIONISM.

ARA:WDROGERS

THE TRIP -- I CALLED AN IG. AGRICULTURE, ERDA, FEA, STR, COMMERCE, TREASURY AND NSC, INTER ALIA, ATTENDED, ALONG WITH EB, AND CU. I WANTED TO ESTABLISH COMMAND OF THE FOLLOWUP PROCESS, AND TO GET IT STARTED. I SAID THAT WE WERE DOING A TOTAL INVENTORY OF ALL FOLLOWUP TASKS. THE INVENTORY WAS NOT YET READY. IT WOULD BE, SHORTLY. IN THE MEANWHILE, I WANTED THEM TO HAVE A GENERAL BRIEFING ON THE TRIP. I SET OUT THE REASONS FOR YOUR VISIT, AND THE FINDING OF CONSIDERABLE GOODWILL. I EXPLAINED THE EMPHASIS IN VENEZUELA, ON OUR WILLINGNESS TO WORK WITH NEW LATIN INSTITUTIONS, ON DIVERSITY IN PERU, ON STRENGTHENING BILATERAL TIES WITH EMERGING WORLD STATES IN BRAZIL, ON LIEVANO'S PROPOSAL IN COLOMBIA, AND ON THE DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS THEMES IN COSTA RICA. I THEN SKETCHED OUT THE INITIATIVES WHICH EMERGED FROM THE TALKS, AND THE ABSOLUTELY VITAL NEED TO TURN THEM INTO CONCRETE ACTION PROPOSALS.

VENEZUELA/BRAZIL -- AMBASSADOR BURELLI TOLD BILL LUERS TODAY THAT VENEZUELA AND BRAZIL HAVE DECIDED TO INTENSIFY THEIR EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION ON THE CUBAN ACTIVITIES IN ANGOLA AND IN GUYANA. BURELLI ALSO SAID THAT THE VENEZUELAN PRESS HAS OVER-REACTED TO THE U.S.-

BRAZIL AGREEMENT. HE (AND HIS PRESIDENT, HE SAYS) ARE REALISTIC ABOUT THE SIZE AND IMPORTANCE OF BRAZIL IN THE WORLD AND UNDERSTAND U.S. NEED FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH THEM.

VENEZUELA/ZARB -- BILL LUERS SPOKE TO ZARB TODAY ABOUT HIS TRIP TO VENEZUELA. ZARB HOPES TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS WITH MINES MINISTER HERNANDEZ THIS SPRING
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AND WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH CHUCK ROBINSON. HE ALSO WANTS TO FOLLOWUP WITH FINANCE MINISTER HURTADO ON HURTADO'S PROPOSAL THAT THE U.S. AND VENEZUELA COLLABORATE IN SOME UNSPECIFIED WAY ON AN HEMISPHERIC ENERGY PROGRAM FOR NON-PRODUCERS. ZARB SAID HE WOULD KEEP US FULLY UP ON HIS CONTACTS WITH THE VENEZUELAN.

EB - JOSEPH A. GREENWALD

1. AT THE TRADE POLICY MEETING CHAIRED BY FRED DENT TO DISCUSS THE SPECIALTY STEEL CASE, NEARLY ALL THE OTHER AGENCIES SUPPORTED THE IDEA OF SEEKING ORDERLY MARKETING AGREEMENTS FOR THREE YEARS WITH AN ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE OUTSET OF WHAT THE QUOTAS WOULD BE IN CASE THE NEGOTIATIONS FAILED. DENT WOULD NOT AGREE TO HOLD UP THE RECOMMENDATION TO THE PRESIDENT UNTIL WE HAD CONSULTED WITH THE MAJOR SUPPLIERS--JAPAN AND THE EC.

2. JULES KATZ SPOKE TO TWO GROUPS OF SUGAR INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES THIS WEEK ON U.S. OPTIONS FOR SUGAR POLICY, INCLUDING PARTICIPATION IN THE INTERNATIONAL SUGAR AGREEMENT. AT TODAY'S MEETING WITH CANE REFINERS, KATZ WAS PRECEDED BY DICK BELL OF USDA WHO ATTACKED U.S. PARTICIPATION IN A SUGAR AGREEMENT AND SAID THAT WE WERE ONLY PARTICIPATING IN THE NEGOTIATIONS BECAUSE OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT. BELL'S REMARKS WENT OVER VERY BADLY WITH THE SUGAR INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES WHO CLEARLY FEEL THAT WE MUST PROTECT OUR INTERESTS BY PARTICIPATING IN THE INTERNATIONAL NEGOTIATIONS SCHEDULED FOR NEXT SEPTEMBER.

H - RJMCCLOSKEY

1. EGYPT - MILITARY EQUIPMENT. CONTINUING CONSULTATION ON THIS SUBJECT, SENATOR HUMPHREY EXPRESSED SERIOUS RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE ADMINISTRATION GOING AHEAD WITH THIS PROGRAM. AMONG OTHER THINGS, HE SAID, THE TIMING COULD NOT BE WORSE, THAT IT WOULD BE AN ISSUE FOR DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES, THAT IT WOULD GENERATE GREAT PRESSURE FROM ISRAEL SUPPORTERS, AND THAT IT WOULD RISK A NEGATIVE CONGRESSIONAL VOTE. HE WANTED TO KNOW WHETHER RABIN HAD
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BEEN INFORMED OF ANY SUCH ADMINISTRATION INTENTION AND ASKED ME TO FIND OUT. LASTLY, HE SAID, HOWEVER SUCH A DECISION MIGHT BE RATIONALIZED, THE LOGIC WOULD BE LOST IN THE HEAT OF DEBATE.

SEPARATELY, I BROUGHT THE SUBJECT UP WITH SENATOR DOMENICI WHILE SEEING HIM ON THE SPANISH TREATY. SAYING LESS THAN HUMPHREY, HE DID, HOWEVER, THINK THE TIMING OF SUCH A DECISION WOULD BE UNFORTUNATE BECAUSE OF THE POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS. BOTH HE AND HUMPHREY EXPRESSED SYMPATHY FOR SADAT BUT WISHED THAT ANY PROGRAM BE DELAYED.

SENATOR SCOTT, WHOM I SAW EARLIER, WAS LESS VOLUBLE BUT EMPHASIZED THE NEED TO WORK DILIGENTLY WITH THE KNOWN OPPONENTS.

2. SALT AND CRUISE MISSILES. THE SFRC HAS NOT DECIDED HOW TO HANDLE THE KENNEDY/HUMPHREY/JAVITS CRUISE MISSILE RESOLUTION. ALSO BEFORE THE COMMITTEE IS THE CRANSTON RESOLUTION WHICH, LIKE THE ZABLOCKI RESOLUTION MARKED UP IN THE HIRC YESTERDAY, SUPPORTS VLADIVOSTOK, CALLS FOR A "SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTION" IN STRATEGIC VEHICLES AND LAUNCHERS AND A BAN ON NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS, AND THE FURTHER TRANSFERS OF TECHNOLOGY IF OTHER MAJOR NUCLEAR SUPPLIERS AGREE TO A SIMILAR HALT. THE SFRC APPARENTLY WILL CONSIDER COMBINING THE CRANSTON/ZABLOCKI AND HUMPHREY/JAVITS RESOLUTIONS.

3. SECURITY ASSISTANCE -

A) HOUSE - AT A LIG MEETING THIS MORNING I DISCUSSED ADMINISTRATION STRATEGY ON SECURITY ASSISTANCE WITH MAX FRIEDERSDORF AND OTHERS FOR OUR EFFORT IN THE HOUSE. THE BILL COMES TO THE FLOOR WEDNESDAY AND, BY ALL ODDS, WILL BE COMPLETED ON THE SAME DAY. ALL SEEMED AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE UNPRODUCTIVE TO SIGNAL A VETO AT THIS JUNCTURE. WE AGREED THAT WE SHOULD AVOID A FLOOR FIGHT ON THE RESTRICTIVE SECTIONS ALREADY IN THE BILL, BECAUSE WE STAND A BETTER CHANCE OF ELIMINATING THEM IN CONFERENCE.

WHILE WE EXPECT MORE RESTRICTIVE AMENDMENTS FROM THE FLOOR, WE WILL BE COOPERATING CLOSELY WITH THE HIRC TO
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TURN THEM BACK.

CHUCK WHALEN INFORMED US THAT SOLARZ WOULD NOT INTRODUCE AN ANTI-DISCRIMINATION AMENDMENT FROM THE FLOOR AFTER ALL. APPARENTLY THE JEWISH LOBBY FEARS THE SOLARZ AMENDMENT MIGHT JEOPARDIZE THE FUNDING PROVISIONS OF THE BILL, AND

THEY WOULD PREFER TO STAND DOWN IN THE HOUSE. TACTICALLY, THEY MAY BE BANKING ON SENATOR CASE INSISTING ON HIS DISCRIMINATION PROVISION IN CONFERENCE, IN WHICH EVENT THERE WOULD BE NO NEED TO MAKE A FIGHT ON THE HOUSE FLOOR.

B) SENATE - THE SFRC SUBCOMMITTEE ON FOREIGN ASSISTANCE MET TODAY TO ADOPT RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE FULL COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AID FUNDING FOR FY-77. THE RECOMMENDATIONS WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE FULL COMMITTEE ON MARCH 2 AND 9. THE SFRC WILL THEN MAKE ITS VIEWS KNOWN TO THE BUDGET COMMITTEE WHICH HOPES TO GET TARGET FIGURES FOR THE FIRST CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO THE SENATE FLOOR IN LATE APRIL. INGERSOLL

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